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METHODS OF USE THEREOF

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This document is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 26, 2009.

<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1-36, 47, 64, 78, 80, 82, 85, 89-91, 98, 99, 101 and 102 are pending in the instant application, and are subject to restriction. The Office Communication, on page 2, requires restriction to one of the following groups under 35 U.S.C. §121:

Group II, claims 1-33, 98, 99, 101, and 102, drawn to vitamin D3 compounds.

Group II, claims 34, 35, 47, and 89-91, drawn to a method for treating a subject for a vitamin D3 associate state.

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